

Property Revaluation in City Seen Big Need

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A real and up-to-date valuation of city properties is the purpose of the reassessment of the City of Charlottetown, Jack Lettner of J.P. Coombe and Associates, municipal consultants, said yesterday.

Mr. Lettner has been retained by the city to make the new assessment.

The city has to assess the true value of properties, Mr. Lettner explained, and under present conditions valuation is neither full nor up-to-date.

On local prices of materials and labor. When this is completed it can be more easily determined what each type of building is worth.

TWO-MAN TEAM

A team of two men will call at each property to inspect the building and measure the land. It is absolutely necessary that they see inside every property, Mr. Lettner asserted, as the value cannot be judged by the outside, and it is to the home owner's advantage to allow inspection.

Assessors will have credentials from the city when making calls. It was noted. One will check the type of building, foundation, floors, wall finish, exterior etc., the other will measure the lot.

Depreciation will be given for amount of "wear and tear" observed at the time of call.

Under this project, commercial and residential, and exempt property will be reassessed.

Professionally trained assessors will not get underway until the first week of August. Until that time Mr. Lettner will be doing the groundwork for a manual charged with giving in a manner dangerous to the public.

SPEEDERS FINED

On charges of speeding, Albert Joseph MacEachern, Cherry Valley, and Charles Robertson, Peakes Station, were each fined \$10 and costs or five days.

A third person, Bernard Fetter, Highfield, for a similar offence was fined \$15 and costs or five days.

Pleading guilty to having in his possession liquor in a place other than his residence an accused was fined \$20 and costs or 30 days.

At present Mr. Lettner is gathering information on costs of structures in Charlottetown, and

Library Service Is Curtailed During Moving Operations

Charlottetown Public Library service will be interrupted no more than two or three days, Wendall MacKay, deputy provincial secretary, said yesterday.

Mr. MacKay's comment followed an announcement that the library would be closed Thursday "until further notice."

TO BE DEMOLISHED

The library is to be demolished, along with other government buildings on Queen Square, the way for the new Palace of Confederation Memorial Building.

Trucks were transporting books to the new site yesterday in the old Queen Square School building. Shelves are set up in one classroom, and a few books have been moved to the new location in the school.

Mr. MacKay explained that services would be halted only temporarily, in the event that

Further Remand Is Given In Case

John MacInnis, Charlottetown, was further remanded until July 30 in city police court yesterday when his counsel, Kenneth Macdonald, informed Magistrate A.J. Haslam that the bond for his client had not yet been completed.

At an earlier hearing, MacInnis had pleaded guilty to being drunk and disorderly and was fined \$10 and costs for five days, and ordered to enter into a recognizance to keep the peace for two years, and post a bond in the amount of \$500.

A lone drunk a day in December was fined \$10 and costs or five days in jail.

Ch'town Hospital Graduates Of 1952 Hold Class Reunion

The 1952 graduating class of the Charlottetown Hospital held its 10th annual class reunion yesterday in Charlottetown with 11 of the original 19 class members attending.

In the morning the ladies attended mass celebrated by Rev. Richard Ellsworth and this was followed by a coffee party at the nurses' residence.

In the evening they attended a dinner at the Queen Hotel followed by a social gathering at Keppoch.

Those attending were Mrs. Anne Kenny, Halifax; Mrs. L. Anna Morrison, Ottawa; Mrs. Stephenie Alexander, Montreal; Miss Helen L'Annon, Boston; Mrs. Dorothy Doyle, Summerside; Sister Mary Hermina, Mrs. Betty Costello, Mrs. Lorena Coughlan, Mrs. Julie Henessey, Mrs. Anna Paquet and Mrs. Jean Blanchard all of Charlottetown.

Late Blight Found In 4 Potato Fields

Late blight has made an appearance in Prince Edward Island potato fields.

According to the Weekly Potato Bulletin the disease has been discovered in four fields, three in Queens County and one in eastern Prince County.

The bulletin says, "It is probable that trace infections are present in other fields."

No infections have been reported from Nova Scotia, it is reported says. The potato bulletin is prepared each week by L. C. Calbeck, plant pathologist, and F. M. Cannon, entomologist, with the Canada department of Agriculture at the Experimental Farm.

Nether potato flea beetles nor Colorado potato beetles, appearing in an all quantities are causing any serious general damage.

The bulletin warns aphids will multiply rapidly with the coming of favorable weather and it suggests that Thiodan or a similar insecticide be applied at an early date.

Premiers' Meet Irons Out Off-Shore Rights

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Settlement of the off-shore mineral rights, at between the Maritime Provinces, was reached this week at the annual meeting of the Atlantic Provinces, at St. John's, Newfoundland, Hon. Melvin McQuaid, attorney general, said yesterday.

With Newfoundland not involved in the matter, the question was settled by determining the division as being provided by a line through the centre of Northumberland Strait. This would carry further to include the east coast division between the province and the Cape Breton section of Nova Scotia.

Mr. McQuaid said the matter was not of immediate concern, but a decision was reached to provide for future eventualities.

TO ELIMINATE DISPUTES

Primarily, he stated, it is to eliminate any dispute which might arise in the future if off should be discovered in this territory. However, it will also apply to all other minerals.

No decision was reached regarding similar divisions along the northside for the Gulf of St. Lawrence, but the attorney general believes this concerns a matter for the agenda of the meeting of all Canadian provinces, at Victoria, B.C., next month. The reason for this is that Quebec will be represented there, while it was not at the Newfoundland gathering.

Mr. McQuaid, accompanied by Hon. J. D. Stewart, provincial secretary, represented the province in the absence through illness of Premier Walter R. Shaw. With them was William Massey, deputy provincial treasurer.

RETURNED LAST NIGHT

The group returned to the province Tuesday after their plane flight from Newfoundland was forced to land at Moncton, when they could not get into Halifax due to storm conditions.

The Islanders took a train from Moncton to Tormentine and were met at Borden by car for the remainder of the trip to this city.

Mr. McQuaid said several matters of great importance to this province were discussed at the Newfoundland meeting, but were not being made public at this time.

Transportation was a big issue, he stated, and said it was decided to have the four provinces each name a provincial minister to study the MacPherson report to the Royal Commission by that name — and then meet to decide on certain recommendations to be presented to the Federal government regarding its implementation.

IMPORTANT MATTERS

He said the report contained several points and possible suggestions which might be determined by these sessions.

The matter of provincial reciprocity in trucking licenses was also discussed, the minister said.

Accused Testifies In Court On Charge Of Failing To Stop

The final testimony in the case of Henry Joseph Kelly, Dromore, was taken by Magistrate James B. Johnson, Q.C., in Queens County magistrate's court yesterday. The case was adjourned until Aug. 1 for argument by counsel. John P. Nicholson for the defence, and Alan K. Scates for the crown.

Kelly is charged with failing to stop at the scene of an accident.

After delivering the wood, Kelly stated, he had driven Murphy to his home. He denied that he had been involved in any accident with a motor vehicle operated by Charles Aloysius MacDonald, or with any other vehicle.

IN SNOW DRIFTS

Kelly stated that it was storming out and that there was only a one-way track through snow drifts. He declared that his truck received no damage of any kind that night.

Cross-examined, he admitted that the one-way path made it difficult when meeting and passing other vehicles, and that it could be possible to strike another vehicle and not know it.

On charges of driving while able abilities were impaired by alcohol, Allison Colville, Suffolk, counselled by Mr. Nicholson, David Harvey Ramsey, West Valley, counselled by Lester P. O'Donnell, were remanded to the court on Aug. 8, to fix a date for hearing.

Adjoined until Aug. 24, was the case of Joseph George Paton on Neale, Charlottetown, counselled by Mr. Nicholson and

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Four girls have entered in the competition sponsored by the P.E.I. Dairymen's Association and the Junior Farmer's Federation. They are Verma MacPhail, Cornwall; Rowena Garrett, East Baltic; Linda Matheson, Mermaid; and Phyllis Dunphy, Cherry Valley.

The winner will enter the national competition at the CNE, Toronto. The girls, ranging in age from 11 to 27, are judged on poise, attractiveness, intelligence, and milkling efficiency.

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Sponsored by Parkdale W.I., the show contains 40 classes. Last year, about 300 entries appeared in the competition.

The show is the only province-wide competition in Canada, and is the only show east of Ontario devoted exclusively to roses.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. Ronald Clark and son David Austin Thomsen, who returned from Saint John where they attended a funeral for their mother, the late Mrs. C. N. Clark.

MCCARVILLE FUNERAL

The funeral for Leonard McCarville was held Wednesday morning from his late residence to St. James' Church, Summerside where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Basil Croker, P.P. who also conducted the service at the grave. Present in the sanctuary were Rev. Harold Croker, Kiorka and Rev. John E. Cash, Sisters Pallbearers were Austin Rogers, Reginald Reeves, Leo Mallett, Bennett Deignan, Russell McCarville and Louis O'Connor. Interment was in the church cemetery.

THOMSON FUNERAL

The funeral for David Austin Thomson was held Wednesday, July 25, from his late residence, West Royal, where services were conducted by Rev. Donald A. Campbell. During the service "The Old Bushy Branch" was sung as a solo by John A. MacLeod. Honorary pallbearers were Hattie Kennedy, Kenneth MacInnis, George MacIntyre, Frederick Gates, Harold Gates, Thomas Power, John Edgington, Alexander Robinson, Lorne Macdonald, Lewis MacInnis, Charles Murray, Reginald MacIntyre, Collins Wood, Duncan MacInnis, Jerry Macdonald, Jack Crosby, Jack Ellsworth and Mel Ross. Active pallbearers were Reach MacInnis, Roy MacIntyre, Jack Bell, Benjamin Moore, Bert Campbell and Jack Douce. Acting as flowerbearers were members of the P.E.I. Racing Association. Interment took place in the Floral Hills Memorial Gardens.

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